10th February 1958]

Prohibition

* 25 *Q.*—SRI N. K. PALANISAMI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any communication from the Centre during the year 1957, seeking their opinion in regard to the setting up of a Central Committee to review the working of Prohibition in this State; and

(*b*) if so, whether any reply has been sent?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : (*a*) No, Sir.

(*b*) Does not arise.

SRI N. K. PALANISAMI : மதுவிலக்கை அமுல் செய்வதில் புதிய முறைகளைப்பற்றி மத்திய சர்க்காருக்கு இந்த சர்க்கார் பதில் அனுப்பியிருக்கிறார்களா ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : இந்த சர்க்கார் மத்திய சர்க்காரின் யோசனைகளுக்கு ஒன்றும் அனுப்பவேண்டிய அவசியமில்லை. அப்படி ஒன்றும் அனுப்பப்படவும் இல்லை.

MR. SPEAKER : Questions are over.

[*Note.*—An asterisk (*) at the commencement of a speech indicates revision by the Member.]

III.—ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE HON. SPEAKER *RE* PANEL OF CHAIRMEN.

MR. SPEAKER : Under rule 14 (1) of the Madras Assembly Rules, I nominate the following hon. Members to be the panel of Chairmen for the current session :— 9-40 a.m.

1. Sri T. T. Daniel.
2. Sri M. D. Ramasami.
3. Dr. Srimathi Sathiyavanimuthu.
4. Sri K. Sattanatha Karayalar.

I have also to announce to the House that the amendments to the Motion of Thanks to the Governor's Address will be received not later than 1 p.m. to-day.

I have also to make a statement with regard to the remarks of the hon. Member, Sri Asaithambi about English. I would like to remind this House that this House has the privilege and pride of having transacted its business in Tamil from the very first day. We are now issuing all leaflets in English and Tamil. We are also issuing list of questions both in English and in Tamil. The main question is answered in English but the supplementary questions are asked and answered mostly in Tamil. I have really no objection to the main question being answered in Tamil but the progress in this direction has to be slow in view of the limited knowledge of the Chair in Tamil. I hope hon. Members will bear